

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1782 without my signature.

On August 24, I vetoed a measure (Senate Bill 1324) that was nearly identical to this bill. My concerns with creating spot exemptions to the California Outdoor Advertising Act remain the same.

While I recognize the hardships that many school districts are facing and I encourage innovative ways to find additional funding, I recommend the Legislature address the number of categorical programs and mandates imposed on school districts. Our focus should be on getting more money into the classroom, not finding new sources of revenue to fund a system in which reforms are needed.

For these reasons I am returning AB 1782 without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger